

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

Council of the Faculty of Arts and Science

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday, February 10, 1995

- Present:** G. Valaskakis; M. Yates; B. Harris; P. Bird; S. Carter; M. Danis; F. Stevens; A. Hochstein; R. Martin; J. Appleby; B. Litner; M. Brian; R. Pallen; D. Brown; A. Ahmad; B. Lewis; R. Schmid; A. Nash; S. Kumarapeli; M. Singer; J. Fiset; E. Raudsepp; N. Gagnon; H. Shulman; M. Malik; A. Teffeteller; C. Gray; A. Schwartzman; I. Robinson; M. Ainley; S. Hoecker-Drysdale; A. Sharma; M. Pruska-Carroll; M.J. McKitterick; O. de Winter; R. Duranceau; E. Evans; C. Hayden; S. Gritsas; M. Kareda; K. McMurray; M. Soso.
- Regrets:** D. Dicks; D. Markiewitz; S. Ruby; B. Sahni; D. Sheps; J. Woodsworth; J. Bottenburg; K. Bolh; P. Dalton; A. Flynn; C. Terry; S. Vergados.
- Absent:** D. Saleé; J. Sullivan; M. Giguère; R. Sharma; M. Poirier; N. Banga; T. Gardner; Z. Szomoru; S. Zacharias.
- Guests:** C. Mota; C. Fick.

Documents considered and distributed at this meeting:

- ASFC 95-2M-A Elections/Ratification - Arts and Science Faculty Council Committees
ASFC 95-2M-B Policy on Educational Equity with departmental responses received to date

1. Call to Order

Dean Valaskakis called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Ahmad asked that the issue of current search procedures for Senior Administrators at Concordia be added to the agenda under Other Business.

- 95-2M-1 It was moved and seconded (Robinson/Pruska-Carroll) that the Agenda be approved as amended.
Carried.

3. **Approval of the Minutes of November 25, 1994**

95-2M-2 It was moved and seconded (Pruska-Carroll/Byers) that the Minutes of the Arts and Science Faculty Council Meeting held November 25, 1994 be approved as circulated.
Carried.

4. **Remarks from the Chair**

Dean Valaskakis informed Council that budget information which was distributed at the last meeting of Senate had been forwarded to all Department Chairs in Arts and Science. The Dean mentioned that she had begun meetings with departments to discuss the budget, planning and priorities and that there will be an Open Meeting of the Faculty on Thursday, February 16th, 10:00 a.m. in DL-200 to which all members of the faculty were welcome.

5. **Questions and Announcements**

Dean Valaskakis informed Council that she had received an announcement regarding two new undergraduate scholarships; one for a first-year student in Journalism and one for a second-year student in Journalism. These were to be awarded for the first time in 1996.

6. **Reports from other University Bodies**

Senate: Dr. Byers announced: 1) A resolution from the students, critical of the Axworthy proposals was passed unanimously; 2) Senate had passed a resolution on senior salaries two meetings ago without a vote; 3) There was an informal discussion of the budget. Dr. Hal Proppe announced that projections from his office were that in five years Concordia's funding would drop by 30 million dollars (6 million dollars per year). That was the context within which financial planning was going on within this university.

SCAPP: The sub-committee of SCAPP on budgets met and will advise the university to proceed with a preliminary budget for the next few years. It is the view of the committee that many persons in the university were working on guidelines but not on a budget.

7. **Elections/Ratification - Arts and Science Faculty Council Committees**
Arts and Science Faculty Council

Christopher Hayden (ECON) - undergraduate student representative

Mary Jane McKitterick (ENGL) - graduate student representative

Acclaimed

9. Other Business

Dr. Ahmad explained that concerns had been raised regarding the current procedures of search committees for senior administrators at Concordia University. He noted that accessibility of short-listed candidates for the positions of Rector and Vice-Rectors were limited to members of a joint open meeting of the Board of Governors and Senate for Rector, and to members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors and Steering Committee of Senate for Vice-Rectors. Dr. Ahmad said that he felt that the procedures for Vice-Rector should be the same as for Rector.

- 94-2M-10** It was moved and seconded (Ahmad/Gray) that Arts and Science Faculty Council recommends to the Board of Governors that the procedures outlined for the search for Rector be also applied to the search for Vice-Rectors and that these searches be made more accessible to other constituencies.
Carried.

10. Notices of Motion

Dr. Bird presented a Notice of Motion regarding CASA funds to be brought to the next meeting of Council.

11. Next Meeting - Friday, March 17, 1995 at 2:00 p.m.

Dean Valaskakis reminded Council that the next meeting would be held Friday, March 17, 1995 at 2:00 p.m. in DL-200.

12. Adjournment

Dean Valaskakis wished all Council members a good study week.

- 95-2M-11** It was moved and seconded (Duranceau/de Winter) that the meeting be adjourned at 3:16 p.m.